

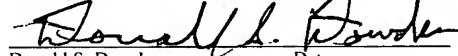


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The advisory action of July 24, 2006, refused entry of the amendment filed July 5, 2006, on the ground that it raised new issues that would require further consideration and/or search, including an issue of new matter. On page 2, the Office action states: "The proposed amendment as regards the shape of the masking member would require further search and reconsideration. Furthermore, it is unclear as to whether the specification, as originally filed, provides express support for the new claim language."